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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

Pursuant to the Duty to Disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a), applicant encloses herewith a copy of Form PTO-1449 listing patent documents relevant to the background of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified application. Also enclosed are copies of the listed documents.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the enclosed references in determining the patentability of the claimed invention. Applicant also requests that the Examiner return a copy of enclosed Form PTO-1449 with initials or other marks indicating

that the reference has been so considered.

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